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Dr. Andy Tasker Appointed GLOBE Director



05/03/2011 10:30 MDT - GLOBE is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Andy Tasker of Warwickshire, England, as the new Director of the GLOBE Program Office. Dr. Tasker has been an influential member of the GLOBE Program in Europe for ten years, serving as UK Country Coordinator since 1997 and as Chairman of the European Regional Board GLOBE International Advisory Committee ([GIAC](#)) representative for Europe and Eurasia from 2008 to 2010. He will assume his new role on 6 June 2011, bringing a depth of understanding of the scope and potential of GLOBE that should well serve the entire GLOBE community.

Dr. Tasker's career in nature conservation and environmental education spans four decades. Until recently, he served as Chief Executive of Warwickshire Wildlife Trust working to protect nature reserves and to encourage people to both enjoy and value the natural world. He was also Chief Executive of its ecological consultancy company. Concurrently, Dr. Tasker was involved with Middlemarch Environmental Ltd, which provides a range of commercial biodiversity services to business and the public sector. Prior to his work in nature conservation, he served ten years as Senior Lecturer in Ecology at Coventry University.

Dr. Tasker has had a lifelong commitment to raising awareness about the loss of natural environments and biodiversity, and building sustainable systems for the future. This commitment, coupled with a long-term involvement with the GLOBE community, promises a smooth and rapid transition to his new role. It is with great pleasure that we welcome Dr. Tasker.

Note: Deliberations in the international search have been in process since mid-February. The appointment of Dr. Tasker is the result of an international search led by UCAR Vice President Dr. Jack Fellows with advisement from a nine-member committee, the [Selection Advisory Group](#).



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GLOBE Director Dr. Andy Tasker Passes Away



Dr. Andy Tasker
16 March 1951 - 16 January 2012

1/17/2012 17:00 MST - It is with tremendous sadness and a heavy heart that the GLOBE Program announces the passing of its Director, Dr. Andy Tasker.

Tasker, 60, died 16 January 2012 in the United Kingdom after a brief illness. He is survived by his wife, Linda Lockhart, and sons Paul and Stephen.

"The GLOBE Program community has lost a true visionary," said Dr. Jack Fellows, Director of University Corporation for Atmospheric Research Community Programs and Interim Director of GLOBE. "Andy cared so deeply for GLOBE. He left an indelible mark on where it is headed. Our primary goal is to ensure his

vision for the Program is carried out." Fellows noted.



- Vision and Mission Review
- GIAC Charter Review
- Strategic Plan Draft
- Website Refresh
- Master Trainer Capacity Building

Community Spotlight



Jack Fellows has a long and distinguished history with the GLOBE Program. For 13 years (1984-1997), he worked in the Executive Office of the President of the United States, the last five as branch chief of the Science and Space Program Branch of the White House Office of Management and Budget, where he oversaw the fiscal management of NASA, NSF, and the Smithsonian Institution. He was there when the GLOBE program was created by then Vice President Gore.

Jack put down roots in Boulder, Colorado, in 1997 when he was asked to head the Office of Community Programs for the University Corporation of Atmospheric Research (UCAR). Five years later he was reunited with the GLOBE Program when, as leader of a team of

scientists and fiscal analysts from UCAR-Colorado State University, his proposal was selected by NASA from among several competing institutions and oversight of the program shifted from Washington D.C. to Boulder. GLOBE, with its emphasis on Earth system science, education and research, found a natural affinity with UCAR, a consortium of over 100 universities dedicated to understanding the Earth system, benefitting society through science and education, and supporting a global community of researchers, and has remained under UCAR's umbrella ever since. Jack Fellows became the first Principle Investigator (PI) of the GLOBE program at UCAR. He was also the interim GLOBE Director for the first year that GLOBE was at UCAR. Jack Fellows is currently Vice President for Corporate Affairs and Director of UCAR Community Program, where the GLOBE Program resides.

GLOBE recently successfully completed an extensive five-year review by NASA and on 1 September 2009, Jack Fellows will hand over the responsibilities of PI to GLOBE Director, Ed Geary. Jack will continue to be involved in the GLOBE program. With his steadfast dedication to ensuring the success and growth of GLOBE, his wealth of knowledge about science and public policy, and his visionary outlook that has guided the program for so long, Jack Fellows will always be a member of the GLOBE family. "I look forward to continuing to work with Ed on the GLOBE program. I believe GLOBE is an extremely important program and one of UCAR's most impactful programs," writes Jack.



GLOBE was selected as the 2004 Goldman Sachs awardee for its unique reach of its work around the world and its ability to bring international education to life through the process of scientific inquiry. GLOBE serves as inspiration and a model of excellence to schools and programs seeking to bring the world into their classrooms."

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2012 marks the 3rd time that Dr. Fellows has stepped back in as GLOBE director: Dr. Jack Fellows has always been there for GLOBE, and has taken strong leadership positions during transitional periods over the past 9 years that the GLOBE Program has been managed at UCAR.

Past GLOBE directors at UCAR include:



Dr. Craig Blurton (January 2004-September 2005)

*The search for a new
GLOBE director is
presently underway.
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Dr. Ed Geary (October 2005-January 2011)

Dr. Dixon Butler



Dr. Andy Tasker (May 2011-January 2012)



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